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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**  
**UNDER 37 CFR 1.97 AND 1.98**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Pursuant to Applicants' duty of disclosure, enclosed please Forms  
PTO/SB/08A&B, listing documents cited in an Office Action issued in a  
corresponding Japanese Patent Application No. 2003-078426, dated July 22, 2008,  
(copy of first page enclosed) and copies of the documents cited therein.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted subsequent to  
issuance of a Notice of Allowance, or issuance of any other action closing  
prosecution on the merits in the above-identified application. Accordingly, the fee of  
\$180.00 is enclosed herewith.

The following Statement is made under 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e):

Each item of information contained in this Information  
Disclosure Statement was first cited in any  
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months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement.

To the extent that the enclosed reference, JP 2000-196469, is not in English, it is respectfully submitted that requirements of 37 CFR §1.98(a)(3) are satisfied by the enclosed English language Abstract.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that all applicable requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.97 and §1.98 have been satisfied, in connection with the present submission of the enclosed documents. Accordingly, consideration of the enclosed documents, during examination of the above-identified application, is respectfully requested.

Applicants request any shortage or excess in fees in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, and for which no other form of payment is offered, be charged or credited to Deposit Account No. 01-2135 Case: 520.43090X00).

Respectfully submitted,

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